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CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,  
INELIGIBILITY,  
AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION - LOWER TIER COVERED  
TRANSACTIONS

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This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Executive Order 12689, and 31 U.S.C. 6101; Debarment and Suspension, 7 CFR Part 3017, Subpart C, Responsibilities of Participants Regarding Transactions.

**(Please read instructions on next page before completing Certification.)**

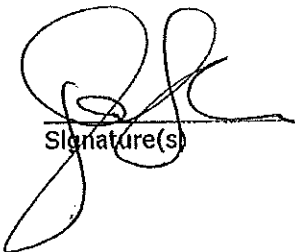
The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

THOMAS'S CATERING  
Organization Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Award Number or Project Name

JOSHUA S. MAUSE - DIRECTOR/PARTNER  
Name(s) and Title(s) of Authorized Representative(s)

  
Signature(s)

December 19, 2012  
Date

# **CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING - CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

**The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:**

No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;

The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

THOMAS'S CATERING  
Organization Name

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JOSHUA S. MAYSE - DIRECTOR / PARTNER  
Name and Title of Authorized Representative

  
Signature

December 19, 2012  
Date

## CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION

Both the School Food Authority (SFA) and Vended School Meals Company (offeror) shall execute this Certificate of Independent Price Determination.

THOMAS'S CATERING  
Name of Vended School Meals Company

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Name of School Food Authority

(A) By submission of this offer, the offeror certifies and in the case of a joint offer, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, that in connection with this procurement:

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting completion, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other offeror or with any competitor;

(2) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this offer have not been knowingly disclosed by the offeror and will not knowingly be disclosed by the offeror prior to bid opening in the case of an advertised procurement or prior to award in the case of a negotiated procurement, directly or indirectly to any other offeror or to any competitor; and

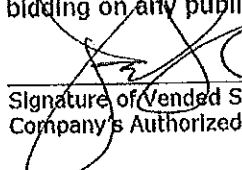
(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any person or firm to submit or not to submit, an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(B) Each person signing this offer on behalf of the Vended School Meals Company certifies that:

(1) He or she is the person in the offeror's organization responsible within the organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein and has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above; or

(2) He or she is not the person in other offeror's organization responsible within the organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein, but that he or she has been authorized in writing to act as agent for the persons responsible for such decision in certifying that such persons have not participated and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above, and as their agent does hereby so certify; and he or she has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above.

To the best of my knowledge, this Vended School Meals Company, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last three years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by State or Federal law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract, except as follows:

  
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Signature of Vended School Meals  
Company's Authorized Representative

DIRECTOR/PARTNER 12/19/2012  
Title Date

In accepting this offer, the SFA certifies that no representative of the SFA has taken any action which may have jeopardized the independence of the offer referred to above.

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Signature of School Food Authority's  
Authorized Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# CLEAN AIR AND WATER CERTIFICATE

Applicable if the contract exceeds \$100,000 or the Contracting Officer has determined that the orders under an indefinite quantity contract in any one year will exceed \$100,000 or a facility to be used has been the subject of a conviction under the Clean Air Act (41 U.S.C. 1857c-8(c)(1)) or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act 33 1319(d) and is listed by EPA or the contract is not otherwise exempt. Both the School Food Authority (SFA) and Vended School Meals Company (offeror) shall execute this Certificate.

THOMAS CATERING  
Name of Vended School Meals Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of School Food Authority

## THE VENDED SCHOOL MEALS COMPANY AGREES AS FOLLOWS:

To comply with all the requirements of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act, as amended (41 U.S.C. 1857, et seq., as amended by Public Law 91-604) and Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq., as amended by Public Law 92-500), respectively, relating to inspection, monitoring, entry, reports, and information as well as other requirements specified in Section 114 and Section 308 of the Clean Air Act and the Water Act, respectively, and all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder before the award of this contract.

That no portion of the work required by this prime contract will be performed in a facility listed on the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) List of Violating Facilities on the date when this contract was awarded unless and until the EPA eliminates the name of such facility or facilities from such listing.

To use his/her best efforts to comply with clean air standards and clean water standards at the facilities in which the contract is being performed.

To insert the substance of the provisions of this clause in any nonexempt subcontract, including this paragraph.

## THE TERMS IN THIS CLAUSE HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:

The term "Air Act" means the Clean Air Act, as amended (41 U.S.C. 1957 et seq., as amended by Public Law 91-604).

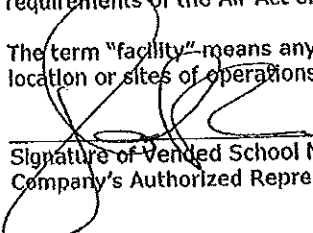
The term "Water Act" means Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq., as amended by Public Law 92-500).

The term "Clean Air Standards" means any enforceable rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, limitations, orders, controls, prohibitions, or other requirements which are contained in, issued under, or otherwise adopted pursuant to the Air Act or Executive Order 11738, an applicable implementation plan as described in section 110(d) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1957c-5(d)), an approved implementation procedure or plan under Section 111(c) or Section 111(d), respectively, of the Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857c-6(c) or (d)), or approved implementation procedure under Section 112(d) of the Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857c-7(d)).

The term "Clean Air Standards" means any enforceable limitation, control, condition, prohibition, standard, or other requirement which is promulgated pursuant to the Water Act or contained in a permit issued to a discharger by the Environmental Protection Agency or by a State under an approved program, as authorized by Section 402 of the Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) or by local government to ensure compliance with pretreatment regulations as required by Section 307 of the Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1317).

The term "Compliance" means compliance with clean air or water standards. Compliance shall also mean compliance with a schedule or plan ordered or approved by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Environmental Protection Agency or an Air or Water Pollution Control Agency in accordance with the requirements of the Air Act or Water Act and regulations issued pursuant thereto.

The term "facility" means any building, plant, installation, structure, mine, vessel, or other floating craft, location or sites of operations, owned, leased, or supervised by the Vended School Meals Company.

  
Signature of Vended School Meals  
Company's Authorized Representative

DIRECTOR / PARTNER  
Title

12/19/2012  
Date